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TO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF GENERAL MURDANI AND TEAM

REF: JAKARTA 9118

1. INDONESIAN EMBASSY PERSONNEL, IN SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS WITH STATE AND DOD OFFICIALS, HAVE INDICATED THAT GENERAL MURDANI AND INDONESIAN MILITARY TEAM ARE EXPECTED IN WASHINGTON PRIOR AUGUST 17 TO DISCUSS MILITARY EQUIPMENT MENTIONED REFTEL.

2. WHEN ECONOMIC COUNSELOR ADIWOSO MENTIONED THIS IN MEETING WITH DEPTOFFS AUGUST 7, LATTER SAID THEY UNDERSTOOD THERE WERE STILL A FEW BUREAUCRATIC PROBLEMS TO BE IRONED OUT BEFORE WE WOULD BE PREPARED DISCUSS ALL ASPECTS MILITARY EQUIPMENT WITH MURDANI TEAM. WE DOUBTED THAT PROBLEMS WOULD BE ENTIRELY RESOLVED AS EARLY AS AUGUST 17. ADIWOSO LOOKED CONCERNED, SPOKE FOR FEW MOMENTS ON PHONE AND TOLD DEPTOFFS THAT VISIT WOULD BE POSTPONED.

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3. NOT CLEAR WHETHER GENERAL MURDANI ACTUALLY HAS BEEN MAKING PLANS FOR TEAM TO VISIT WASHINGTON ON SPECIFIED DATE OR WHETHER THIS IS EMBASSY OR GOI TACTIC TO NUDGE

US INTO MORE RAPID ACTION.

4. IN ANY EVENT, WE ARE STILL AWAITING DECISIONS ON CERTAIN QUESTIONS RELATING TO VIETNAM EQUIPMENT AND WOULD MUCH PREFER TO HOLD OFF TALKS WITH INDONESIANS UNTIL WE CAN GIVE THEM FINAL WORD ON THIS EQUIPMENT. PERHAPS MORE SERIOUS COMPLICATION IN EARLY TEAM VISIT IS THAT KEY WASHINGTON OFFICIALS WILL BE ABSENT DURING LATTER PART OF AUGUST.

5. INDONESIAN IMPATIENCE, HOWEVER, IS UNDERSTANDABLE. WE THEREFORE PROPOSE TO SET SPECIFIC DATE FOR TEAM VISIT BUT PUT IT FAR ENOUGH BACK TO INSURE THAT SENIOR OFFICIALS WILL BE AVAILABLE AND THAT CURRENT QUESTIONS ON VIETNAM EQUIPMENT WILL BE RESOLVED. UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE OBJECTION, REQUEST YOU INFORM MURDANI OF SUBSTANCE PARAGRAPH FOUR AND SUGGEST THAT TEAM PLAN TO ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON DURING WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15. KISSINGER

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